TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 431 - HB 469

February 22, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes certain healthcare professionals licensed in another state to practice telehealth while providing healthcare services to a patient who could not otherwise receive such services in this state. Requires the healthcare provider to file a limited waiver request with the appropriate licensing authority in order to provide such services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-1-155(g), healthcare providers licensed in another state may practice telehealth while providing healthcare services on a volunteer basis through a free clinic.
- The proposed legislation would allow a healthcare provider licensed in another state to provide telehealth services to a patient in this state; provided, that the healthcare provider files a waiver request certifying that the patient needs such services and such services are otherwise unavailable in this state.
- The Department of Health and the health-related boards can accommodate any increase in waiver requests within existing personnel and resources; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Any impact on the Division of TennCare, Benefits Administration, or local governments will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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